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NEWS RELEASE

OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

A preliminary investigation pertaining to an officer involved shooting reveals the following: On November 30, 2005, at approximately 3:09am, off-duty San Antonio Police Detective Anthony Johnson, an 18-year veteran, was parking in his driveway when he saw a suspicious car parked on his street (2600 Ravina St). Det. Johnson exited his car and watched as the suspicious car moved slowly down the street. Det. Johnson then saw a lone male suspect get out of the suspect car and approach several parked cars in private driveways. Det. Johnson reports that the suspect had a flashlight in his hand and was looking inside several of the cars. Det. Johnson felt that the suspect was trying to find a car to burglarize and called 911 to ask for additional back-up from on-duty officers. Prior to on-duty officers arriving, Det. Johnson saw the suspect enter a neighbor's truck and begin to burglarize the vehicle. Det. Johnson then walked over to the suspect, who was now inside the car, and identified himself as a San Antonio police officer. Det. Johnson said the suspect suddenly spun around to confront him. Det. Johnson said he saw an object in the suspect's hand and felt the object could be a weapon. Det. Johnson said he feared for his life and fired one shot towards the suspect, grazing the suspect on the head. It was later determined that the suspect had a flashlight in his hand. The suspect was transported to BAMC where he remains in good condition.

The suspect vehicle fled the scene as the confrontation was occurring and was later recovered in the 700 blk of St. James. Discovered with the suspect car were three females, who are currently being interviewed by homicide detectives.

The identity of the suspect will be withheld pending formal charges.

The San Antonio Police Department's shooting Team is handling the investigation and will submit their findings to Police Chief Albert A. Ortiz and the Bexar County District Attorney's Office. As per policy, Det. Johnson will be placed on administrative duty while the investigation continues.

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